TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 643 – HB 761

March 25, 2015

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes a winery or a farm winery permit holder to sell any items at retail as state law permits.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Revenue – Exceeds \$82,300

Increase Local Revenue – Exceeds \$34,300

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005063): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes a winery or farm winery permit holder to sell at retail items related to or incidental to the use, consumption, dispensing, or storage of wine on the licensed premises. Prohibits a winery or farm winery permit holder from selling at retail: distilled spirits; wine that is not manufactured or bottled on the licensed premises; or beer. a winery or farm winery permit holder

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Under current law, in addition to its own wine, a winery is authorized to sell: juices or concentrates derived from juices, or any agricultural products; items used in home winemaking; and other gift, tourism, or wine related items as defined by regulations promulgated by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission (ABC).
- The Department of Revenue reports that, in FY13-14, Tennessee wineries collected \$1,706,775 in state sales taxes and \$624,739 in local sales taxes.
- Authorizing wineries to sell any items at retail as state law permits is estimated to increase their taxable sales by a minimum of five percent, resulting in a recurring increase in state revenue exceeding \$85,339 (\$1,706,775 x 5.0%), and a recurring increase in local revenue exceeding \$31,237 (\$624,739 x 5.0%).
- The effective rate of apportionment to local government pursuant to the state-shared sales tax allocation is estimated to be 3.617 percent.
- The net recurring increase in state revenue is estimated to exceed \$82,252 [\$85,339 (\$85,339 x 3.617%)].

- The total recurring increase in local revenue is estimated to exceed \$34,324 [\$31,237 + (\$85,339 x 3.617%)].
- It is estimated that wineries will begin selling any items at retail as state law permits in FY15-16.
- No additional personnel or resources will be required by the ABC.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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